

PHARMACY BOARD[657]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 147.76, the Board of Pharmacy hereby amends Chapter 7, “Hospital Pharmacy Practice,” and Chapter 23, “Long-Term Care Pharmacy Practice,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The amendments permit, as authorized by federal law, the administration of any influenza or pneumococcal vaccine to a hospital or long-term care facility patient pursuant to physician-approved hospital or facility policy after the patient has been assessed for contraindications. Current subrules limit this authority to the administration of influenza and pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccines only.

Requests for waiver or variance of the discretionary provisions of these rules will be considered pursuant to 657—Chapter 34.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the July 22, 2015, Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 2063C**. The Board received no written comments regarding the proposed amendments. The adopted amendments are identical to those published under Notice.

The amendments were approved during the August 31, 2015, meeting of the Board of Pharmacy.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 155A.13, 155A.15, 155A.23, and 155A.35.

These amendments will become effective on November 18, 2015.

The following amendments are adopted.

ITEM 1. Amend subrule 7.8(14) as follows:

7.8(14) *Influenza and pneumococcal vaccines.* As authorized by federal law, a written or verbal patient-specific medication administration order shall not be required prior to administration to an adult patient of influenza and pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccines pursuant to physician-approved hospital policy and after the patient has been assessed for contraindications. Administration shall be recorded in the patient’s medical record.

ITEM 2. Amend subrule 23.9(4) as follows:

23.9(4) *Influenza and pneumococcal vaccines.* As authorized by federal law, a written or verbal patient-specific medication administration order shall not be required prior to administration to an adult patient of influenza and pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccines pursuant to physician-approved facility policy and after the patient has been assessed for contraindications. Administration shall be recorded in the patient’s record. The facility shall submit to the provider pharmacy a listing of those residents or staff members who have been immunized utilizing vaccine from each vial supplied by the provider pharmacy.

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